

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO ACCOMPANY  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2007, ("Office Action"), please consider the following amendments and remarks to accompany the Request for Continued Examination submitted herewith. A listing of the claims begins on page 2, and Remarks begin on page 11. Please provide any extension of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which are due to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include the payment of any issue fees.